IDAPA 02 – DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

02.03.03 – RULES GOVERNING PESTICIDE AND CHEMIGATION USE AND APPLICATION DOCKET NO. 02-0303-1301

NOTICE OF RULEMAKING - PROPOSED RULE

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5220(1) and 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency has initiated proposed rulemaking procedures. The action is authorized pursuant to Section 22-3421, Idaho Code.

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE: Public hearing(s) concerning this rulemaking will be scheduled if requested in writing by twenty-five (25) persons, a political subdivision, or an agency, not later than September 18, 2013.

The hearing site(s) will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing, to the agency address below.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a nontechnical explanation of the substance and purpose of the proposed rulemaking: It has been ISDA's policy that pesticide licensing exam scores and recertification credits are valid for one (1) year. This policy has never been included in rule and the Pesticide Advisory Committee has recommended that it be added. Changes to Sections 02.03.03.100.02 and 02.03.03.100.03 will allow for a one (1) year time period for new or renewing licensees to obtain an applicator license without penalty. The rule revisions will also provide a cut-off time for inactive licensees to renew their licenses before they will be required to retest.

FEE SUMMARY: The following is a specific description of the fee or charge imposed or increased: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: The following is a specific description, if applicable, of any negative fiscal impact on the state general fund greater than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) during the fiscal year as a result of this rulemaking: ISDA does not anticipate any fiscal impact from the changes to be made to the Rule during the rulemaking.

NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING: Pursuant to Section 67-5220(1), Idaho Code, negotiated rulemaking was conducted. The Notice of Intent to Promulgate Rules - Negotiated Rulemaking was published in the June 5, 2013 Idaho Administrative Bulletin, Volume 13-6, page 16. A negotiated rulemaking meeting was held at the Idaho State Department of Agriculture on July 10.

INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE: Pursuant to Section 67-5229(2)(a), Idaho Code, the following is a brief synopsis of why the materials cited are being incorporated by reference into this rule: N/A

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning the proposed rule, contact Ben Miller, Bureau Chief at (208) 332-8593.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding this proposed rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to Ben Miller and must be delivered on or before September 25, 2013. Comments can be delivered via email to ben.miller@agri.idaho.gov or via regular mail to Ben Miller's attention at the address listed below.

DATED this 2nd day of August, 2013.

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